



CASE OP/4-30969A

FILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

EV 195227305 US

December 31, 2002 Date of Deposit

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

#6/13

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 3754

KIS ET AL.

Examiner: Nicolas, Frederick C

APPLICATION NO: 09/973,256 FILED: OCTOBER 9, 2001

FOR: PACKAGE FOR A PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCT AND METHOD

OF STERILIZING THE PACKAGE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Washington, D.C. 20231

RECEIVED

JAN 0 6 2003

AMENDMENT

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 30, 2002. Please amend the above identified application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please delete the current abstract, and replace it with the following:

--ABSTRACT

The invention provides a pharmaceutical package comprising a polypropylene bottle in which is disposed a solution containing a pharmaceutical product, where the solution does not fill the bottle completely and some air is disposed in the bottle, and where the package, after autoclaving at at least 121C and for at least 20 minutes, suffers no deformation, does not shrink, and does not explode, and where the package retains a sufficiently high squeezability to dispense the solution.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace pending claims 15 to 24 with claims 25 to 33 set out below under the heading "Clean Copy of the Claims."